



STATE OF MAINE
COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS
AND ELECTION PRACTICES
135 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
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Agenda

Meeting of May 26, 2004

10:00 a.m., Commission Offices, 242 State Street, Augusta, Maine

ROUTINE BUSINESS

1. Ratification of minutes of May 12, 2004 meeting

OLD BUSINESS

2. Hon. Sean Faircloth/Appeal of Denial of Certification as a Maine Clean Election Act Candidate

Representative Sean Faircloth began collecting \$5 qualifying contributions before he filed his Declaration of Intent (DOI) on March 23, 2004. Under the policy of the Commission staff, the \$5 checks he accepted prior to filing the DOI would not count toward the requirement of collecting 50 qualifying contributions. Rep. Faircloth addressed the Commission members by telephone at the April 21 meeting. Since the April 21 meeting, the following correspondence has been made:

- the Commission staff denied Rep. Faircloth's request for certification by letter dated April 28, which enclosed information on the 2002 David L. Tobin matter that had been requested by the candidate.;
- Rep. Faircloth submitted a written appeal on April 30 by e-mail;
- Clayton Fowlie, Rep. Faircloth's general election opponent, submitted a letter dated May 6 opposing the appeal;
- On May 7, the Commission director responded to a request in Rep. Faircloth's April 30 e-mail with an explanation of some additional cases similar to David Tobin that may be relevant;
- William Sullivan, a supporter of Rep. Faircloth who made a \$5 qualifying contribution, submitted a letter to the Commission;
- Rep. Faircloth submitted a letter-memorandum dated May 19, 2004.

These and other pertinent materials are attached.

3. Appeal of Denial of Certification/Hon. Rosaire Paradis

The Commission staff denied the request of Representative Rosaire "Ross" Paradis to be certified as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate. Rep. Paradis did not submit the Request for Certification form and the Seed Money Report by the April 15 deadline. Rep. Paradis' appeal is attached.

4. Sale of Equipment/Property

In response to a request made by the Commission members at the May 12 meeting, the director will discuss Maine Clean Election Act candidates' sale of campaign equipment purchased with MCEA funds. The relevant rule and schedule from the candidate reporting form are attached.

NEW BUSINESS**5. Appointment of Replacement for David Ott****EXECUTIVE SESSION****6. Personnel Matter****RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION****Other**

Miscellaneous as needed.

ADJOURNMENT